HB 2499 -- MISSOURI WORKS TRAINING PROGRAM

SPONSOR: Lauer

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Economic Development and Business Attraction and Retention by a vote of 7 to 0.

This bill provides that financial assistance, through the Missouri Works Training Program, may be provided to an association of a majority of qualified companies organized to provide common training to the association members' employees.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will extend participation in the Missouri Works Program for small businesses by allowing qualified and unqualified businesses to join together to be considered qualified for the purposes of receiving Missouri Works Program incentives.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Lauer.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say that the bill would enable the Department of Economic Development to flexibly provide incentives just as it did before the creation of Missouri Works.

Testifying on the bill was Sarah Nusbaum, Missouri Department Of Economic Development.